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Osamu SAKANAKA et al.

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REQUEST FOR COMPLETE COPY OF REFERENCE AND RESETTING DATE FOR RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C.

Sir:

The Office Action mailed November 6, 2000 includes a rejection of some of the claims under 35 USC 102(a) as being anticipated by Hanafi et al. (reference U). The Notice of References Cited form attached to the Office Action identifies reference U as the complete Hanafi et al. publication, i.e. pages 1226-1231 from the J. Antibiot. publication. However, only the Chemical Abstracts version of the Hanafi et al. publication was enclosed with the Office Action.

Applicants respectfully request a complete copy of the Hanafi et al. publication, i.e. pages 1226-1231 from J. Antibiot.

Applicants also request that the date for responding to the Office Action be reset for three months from the mailing date of the complete copy of the Hanafi et al. publication.

Respectfully submitted,

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